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Carleton Ravens guard Philip Scrubb drives to the net during the 2014 CIS finals against the University of Ottawa Gee Gees at the Canadian Tire Centre. The men's and women's teams from both universities will vie for Ottawa bragging rights Friday night in front of a record-setting crowd. For more on the matches, see page 6.

TREVOR GREENWAY/METRO

Algonquin College students 'shocked' at terror charges

RCMP investigation. School's Muslim student association condemns violent extremism



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Algonquin College is urging students to "keep the lines of communication open" after two former students were charged with terrorism-related offences on Tuesday.

Awso Peshdary, 25, a former Algonquin College student,

made a brief court appearance Wednesday after the RCMP arrested him Tuesday morning in Ottawa. He was charged with participating in the activity of a terrorist group and facilitating the activity of a terrorist group.

Assistant RCMP Commissioner James Malizia told reporters at a news conference Peshdary also provided "financial support" to send foreign fighters to join the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) militant group.

The RCMP also laid charges in absentia against Khadar Khalib, 23, another former Algonquin student, and John Maguire, 24, who studied at the

University of Ottawa. Both men are believed to be fighting for ISIL in the Middle East.

Peshdary had been an activist at Algonquin College, where he campaigned against anti-Muslim discrimination.

Last March, he gave a speech at the Algonquin College Muslim Students' Association's Islam Awareness Week 2014.

In an e-mail sent to students on Wednesday and obtained by Metro, Algonquin president Cheryl Jensen wrote, "Like all colleges and universities in Canada, we are faced with the challenge of radicalization in all its forms."

She urged students to talk

to each other about "the importance of creating a campus community that is open, welcoming, and respectful" to avail themselves of counselling services if needed.

"For those who choose to incite hatred, we rely on Canadian law and the support of law enforcement," wrote Jensen. "We have a close working relationship with local, provincial and national law enforcement agencies, and we will continue to work hand-in-hand to keep our College safe."

Muslim student association president Adam Tulul did not respond to an e-mail sent from Metro Thursday seeking com-

ment. The group condemned violent extremism in a Facebook post on Wednesday:

"The Algonquin College Muslim Student Association (MSA) is shocked and deeply disturbed by news that individuals who had previously volunteered with the organization are now facing criminal charges.

"The Algonquin College MSA unequivocally condemns violent extremism in all its forms regardless of who perpetrates it, or their stated reason(s).

"Violent extremist ideology uses a cut-and-paste approach to our faith and distorts and

perverts the teachings and example of the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him).

"Our advice to anyone with grievances about issues like Canadian foreign policy or the status of Muslims living in Canada and abroad is to channel their energies proactively by becoming engaged citizens who express themselves through peaceful means, as well as who work to positively contribute to their communities."

Students leaving the college's spiritual centre Thursday afternoon said they were "shocked" to hear about the charges, but declined to be interviewed.



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Food. Head to the ByWard Market for Winterlude stew cookoff Friday

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Over 600 people, including one of Ottawa's founders (resurrected through the magic of theatre), are expected to descend on the ByWard Market building between 11:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Friday for the Winterlude stew cookoff.

The event is in its 24th year and ByWard Market Business communications co-ordinator Katherine Solomon says the \$10 charge buys you a lot for your money.

"We have a heated tent and this year there are 22 competitors," Solomon said. "As someone with a British background I think of stews as beef and potatoes, maybe the occasional carrot, but some of the entries are really interesting. We have lots of fish-based stews, more lamb and game meat. I want to try them all."

Soloman said the event satisfies more than your stomach.

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"One thing we've noticed is the really smart people line up at their chosen restaurant, and then with a full bowl line up at the place you want to go next so you eat while you wait."

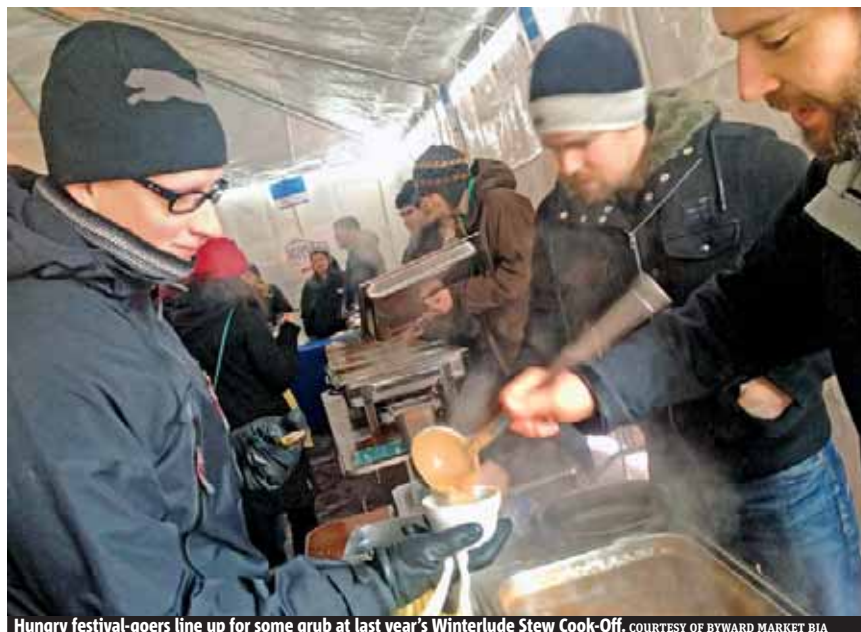
Katherine Solomon, ByWard Market Business communications co-ordinator

"I'm so proud we haven't raised the price in almost a decade and all the money goes to charity."

This year the Lowertown Community Resource Centre will put the money raised towards programs that help local families.

"They are very focussed on the community's needs," Solomon said. "This is a diverse population and some people are really struggling. We are really making a difference in people's lives."

This year, one of the celebrity judges is a visitor from the past. Along with modern-day food critic Gay Cook and police Chief Charles Bordeleau, a Lt.-Col. John By impersonator



Hungry festival-goers line up for some grub at last year's Winterlude Stew Cook-Off. COURTESY OF BYWARD MARKET BIA

will be stepping out with his spoon.

Soloman said the By imitator, who is attending as a result of the collaboration with the Bytown Museum, will approve of the event.

"He did design this (mar-

ket) building as a space for the public," Solomon said. "The original design of the building was for a social gathering place."

Finally, Solomon has some pro-tips for people attending the event.

"When you pay and grab your bowl and spoon one thing we've noticed is the really smart people line up at their chosen restaurant, and then with a full bowl line up at the place you want to go next so you eat while you wait."

MacLeod dropping out of Tory leadership race: Source



Nepean-Carleton PC MPP Lisa
MacLeod OONA WOODS/FOR METRO

Nepean-Carleton Progressive Conservative Lisa MacLeod will pull out of the party's leadership race on Friday.

A source with MacLeod's campaign confirms she will announce her decision at a news conference scheduled for 11 a.m. in Ottawa.

The source would not say if MacLeod will also announce her intention to quit the provincial party to run federally for the seat soon to be vacated by

former foreign affairs minister John Baird.

MacLeod admitted the landscape changed this week after Baird announced he would resign his Ottawa West-Nepean seat in Parliament, and after rival PC leadership candidate Vic Fedeli pulled out of the leadership race.

MacLeod would have had to post another \$50,000 with the PC party if she did not withdraw from the race by close of busi-

ness day Friday, which was one of the reasons Fedeli cited when he dropped out Wednesday.

Fedeli, the former mayor of North Bay, threw his support behind perceived front-runner Christine Elliott, saying he hadn't raised enough money to win the race.

Fedeli was second only to Elliott in fundraising, posting \$156,000 in donations with Elections Ontario compared with the \$515,000 she has

raised to date.

MacLeod's camp said she had raised \$105,000, but she posted under \$60,000 in donations in her first official filing this week.

Each candidate must give 20 per cent of any donations over \$100,000 to the PC Ontario Fund, but there are no requirements to refund any money left over after campaign staff and expenses have been paid.

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Ottawa AIDS group opens the doors to its new home

Community activism.
New building gives more space for counselling, support



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The AIDS Committee of Ottawa has moved into a new home and will soon be flinging the doors wide open in an attempt to fight stigma against the disease.

Now at 19 Main St., the group occupies the entire two floors of the 7,000-square-foot building, which allows for more counselling support, home-cooked meals, better programming and harm-reduction services.

This move was the “last key piece of the puzzle” to growing as an organization and combatting the AIDS stigma, said Khaled Salam, the executive director of the ACO, which is largely provincially funded.

“For the longest time, our organization kind of existed in this small bubble,” he said.

“We were engaging with other community activists, other community partners with similar organizational values, but not to the larger

community, which is where, really, the stigma exists.”

The ACO faced that stigma in its hunt for a new home. It planned on moving down the street from its old location on Bank Street, but the new landlord revoked the keys at the last minute after allegedly expressing concern that ACO’s clients might spread lice to other visitors.

ACO sued, alleging discrimination and Salam said they’re “on the verge” of settling out of court.

On Dec. 1 — World AIDS Day — the group moved to 19 Main St. Apart from an open house on Feb. 9 that will include Ottawa Mayor Jim Watson and Ottawa-area MPPs as guests, the ACO will host tours for Doors Open Ottawa in June.

“We want to put ourselves on the map. We don’t want to hide within a small bubble anymore,” said Salam.

“We want to become a mainstream organization in terms of being exposed to the larger community.”

In terms of square-footage, the Main Street space is only slightly bigger than the ACO’s old location. But it now allows the group to plant a community garden outside, plan more health programming and host barbecues. There’s also a ther-



AIDS Committee of Ottawa volunteer and board member Jean Chenier prepares sandwiches for lunch on Thursday, at the ACO’s new headquarters. LUCY SCHOLEY/METRO

apy table for massage or chiropractic treatments, a separate entrance for harm-reduction supplies, a big kitchen and multiple counselling rooms.

With a big communal table, wide windows, computers and leather chairs (including a couple of massage chairs) the ground floor feels like a comfortable living room.

That’s an intentional throwback to the ACO’s

early beginnings in a living room during the AIDS crisis of the 1980s.

“It was making a statement as a place about living and not just about dying,” said Salam.

“It was important for us to capture that hominess and cosiness and making sure that it was not institutional.”

The open house will be Feb. 9 from 5 to 8 p.m. at 19 Main St.



Cory Wong, the manager of support services at the AIDS Committee of Ottawa, checks out the aquarium at the organization’s new digs. LUCY SCHOLEY/METRO

Quoted

“We want to put ourselves on the map ... We want to become a mainstream organization in terms of being exposed to the larger community.”

Khaled Salam, the executive director of the AIDS Committee of Ottawa

Injury

Inquest to probe girl’s death in rugby match

An inquest into the death of Barrhaven teenager Rowan Kerry Stringer has been announced.

The 17-year-old rugby captain of died on May 12, 2013 as a result of a head injury sustained during a game.

Ottawa Coroner Dr. Louise McNaughton-Filion says

the inquest will examine the circumstances surrounding Stringer’s death with a view to making recommendations aimed at preventing similar deaths.

Stringer’s obituary says she attended John McCrae Secondary School and had planned to study nursing at the University of Ottawa. She is survived by her parents and sister.

Further details on the dates and location of the inquest are yet to be announced. **OONA WOODS/FOR METRO**

Safety

Crown drops nine of 20 charges against water park

A Crown prosecutor has withdrawn nearly half of the 20 safety violation charges laid against Calypso Water Park.

In 2013, the Technical Standards and Safety Authority laid 20 safety-related charges against the park in Limoges, Ont., in east Ottawa, alleging among other things

that it failed to report and respond to safety concerns involving its water slides after patrons suffered injuries in separate incidents. The Crown began closing arguments on the remaining 11 counts in court Thursday.

The park’s lawyer, Lawrence Greenspon, could not attend court Thursday, but said in a written statement he was disappointed about the charges laid in 2013.

The Crown is expected to continue closing arguments in March. **JOE LOFARO/METRO**

Pay equity

Ottawa Public Library ordered to mark up wages

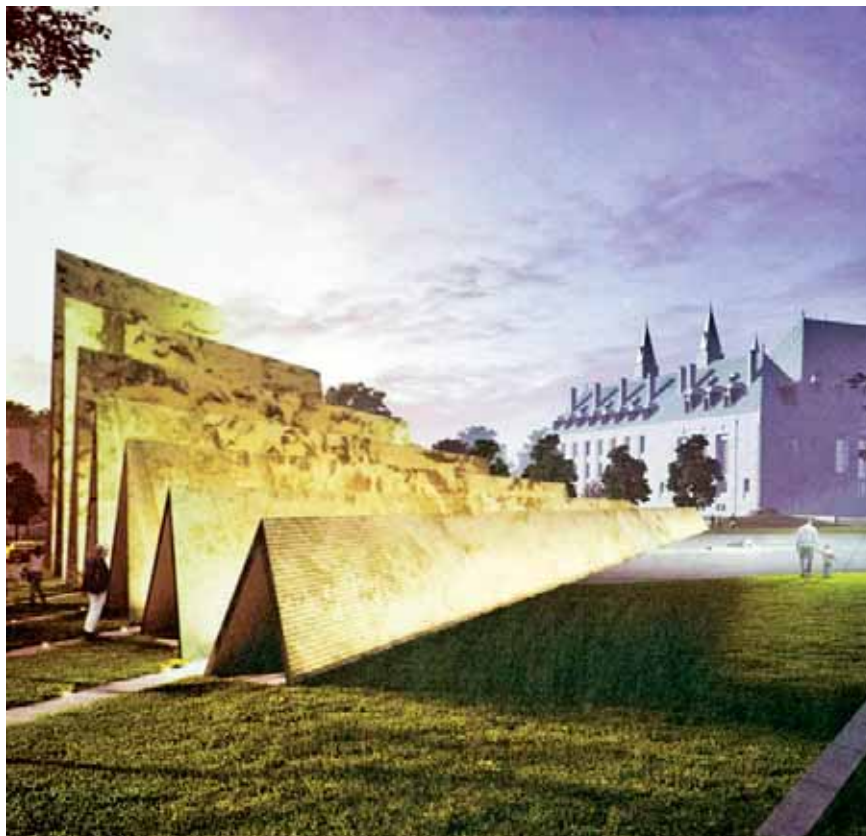
Some workers at the Ottawa Public Library are set to collect an overdue wage increase.

The Ottawa Public Library has been ordered to mark up wages and provide back pay to select employees after a pay equity hearing this week at the

Ontario Labour Relations Board.

Ottawa-Carleton Public Employee CUPE Local 503 brought a case forward seven years ago saying that wages at the Ottawa Public Library should match increases given to “male-dominated” jobs at the city since 2005.

The ruling reverses an earlier order by a provincial pay equity officer, which found that the OPL had already achieved pay equity. **OONA WOODS/FOR METRO**



A drawing of the winning Team Kapusta's concept for the National Memorial to Victims of Communism, which will be situated near the Supreme Court of Canada. An architects' group is disputing the chosen location of the memorial.
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Architects oppose site of anti-communism shrine

Development.

Royal Architectural Institute of Canada says use of land should be apolitical



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A national organization representing 4,800 architects is opposing the chosen site for the National Memorial to Victims of Communism.

The Royal Architectural Institute of Canada (RAIC) says the concrete memorial should not be built between the Supreme Court of Canada and Library and Archives Canada, as planned.

The RAIC called the land a "significant national site" that "should reflect the impartiality and apolitical aspirations of Canada's justice system."

"We believe this site

should be representative of all Canadians, just as the principles of Canada's judicial system speak for all Canadians," it reads.

The group says instead a third building, such as the long-planned Federal Court site, should complete the "Judicial Triad" on that site since it would better complement the existing Supreme Court of Canada building and the Justice building.

As was set out in the federal government's Long Term Vision and Plan years ago, a new Federal Court building, an expansion to the Department of Justice or an "architecturally significant national institution" would fit, according to RAIC.

The federal Conservatives decided instead in May 2012 to give that land to Tribute to Liberty, a private charity that says it represents eight million Canadians who were victims of communism.

The RAIC is recommending the memorial be moved to the Garden of the Provinces and Territories — about 300 metres west of the current site.

The memorial is intended to commemorate 100 million people who, the foundation says, have died under communist regimes.

Tribute to Liberty chair Ludwik Klimkowski said he was "in no position of answering the question posed by the architects" about the site location.

"This is all about memory and education," he said.

"I am extremely happy that we're actually building this memorial at the same time when the memorial to Holocaust is being built in Ottawa as well."

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Record crowd expected at Hoops Classic



Ravens guard Thomas Scrubb is seen lifting up the CIS trophy after his team won the 2014 championship. While the stakes are not as high at the Capital Hoops classic, Scrubb says the atmosphere of the annual match always gives the teams a "push." TREVOR GREENWAY/METRO

Basketball. Six years ago, 10,523 tickets were sold, but that number could be eclipsed Friday night

A record setting attendance is expected for basketball's Annual MBNA Capital Hoops Classic at the Canadian Tire Centre Friday night.

Ticket sales are close to breaking a record of 10,523 set six years ago for the rivalry between the Carleton Ravens and Ottawa GeeGees men's and women's teams.

Lee Versage who will be calling the game for TSN 1200 says the buzz around these games may stem from the fact both the men's and women's teams currently sit in the top two slots in the Canadian Interuniversity Sport standings.

"I think this one has the potential to be maybe the best yet," says Versage. It's a residual effect of the two (men's) teams being No. 1 and 2 in the country. You're going to see more Ot-

tawa fans there because there is finally the potential to really stick it to Carleton. But Carleton is still the team everyone has to beat to win the national championship. Even if they are No. 2, they are the team you have to go through."

Raven's forward Thomas Scrubb says the Hoops Classic atmosphere always gives the players a push.

"It's like a playoff, there are so many fans. We will just try to prepare like any other game. They are No. 1 and we have to be ready to match their intensity and execution."

Ottawa GeeGees coach James Derouin says it gives players a taste of the big time.

"The atmosphere is amazing," says Derouin. "It's as close as most of these guys would get to playing an NBA game.... And the two schools do such a phenomenal job of supporting the event. It's hard to describe. The game goes by so quickly and the adrenalin is so high. Everyone is so excited. The biggest challenge is maintaining focus."

Taffe Charles, the women's coach for the Carleton Ravens,

says playing in such a frenzied environment can be distracting for some players.

"We don't have many veterans on the team this year," Charles says.

"We'll see how we handle it. A lot of kids can get shell-shocked.... We just have to focus on the stuff that's basketball. The rims are the same height, the ball's the same."

Rival coach Andy Sparks says playing at the Canadian Tire Centre is great fun but does change the game.

"Typically we find the environment the touchiest part," says Sparks. "The space is a bit open, the sight lines can be a problem so the shooting is not as good."

Versage says both games will be exciting.

"The women's teams are close, which is good," explains Versage.

"The crowd will be raucous and warmed up."

The women's game will begin at 6 p.m., followed by the men's game at 8 p.m. Tickets are still available from 613-599-FANS or from capitaltickets.ca.

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Reserves. Indoor plumbing to cost \$165M, but only a fraction budgeted: Reports

Internal federal documents estimate it will cost \$165 million to replace government-issued slop pails with modern indoor plumbing on four of Canada's poorest reserves, but only a fraction of that has been budgeted.

Regional reports from Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada and obtained by The Canadian Press say \$22 million was budgeted in 2011 to install rudimentary indoor plumbing in hundreds of homes in a cluster of northern Manitoba reserves known as Island Lake.

The reports date back to the fall of 2013 and were received under access-to-information

legislation.

They say upgraded homes were outfitted with basic plumbing hooked up to individual water and sewage tanks. Although the reports repeatedly say much more money is needed for a community sewage system, no new money has been budgeted in more than three years.

"The project costs exceed available funding," states a report dated March 2014.

A spokesperson for Aboriginal Affairs Minister Bernard Valcourt said the minister was not available for comment and did not provide anyone to answer questions. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

New Brunswick. Arrest made in python deaths

The man who owned the python that killed two young boys in New Brunswick in August 2013 has been arrested in the case, his lawyer said Thursday.

Leslie Matchim said Jean-Claude Savoie was arrested Thursday by police in the Montreal area, but he doesn't know what charge or charges his client may face.

Savoie moved from Campbellton, N.B., where the boys died to live in the Montreal area, Matchim said.

"It certainly by no means was any attempt to evade anything," Matchim said in an interview. "I've mentioned on several occasions in my dealings with the police where he is located."

Earlier Thursday, the RCMP said a person was arrested and is in custody in Quebec. Cpl. Chantal Farrah said no charges have been laid but the investi-



Noah Barthe, left, and Connor Barthe. The RCMP say one person has been arrested in the deaths of the boys who were asphyxiated by a python in August 2013. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

gation is ongoing.

Noah Barthe, 4, and his six-year-old brother Connor were found dead on Aug. 5, 2013, after an African rock python escaped its enclosure inside Savoie's apartment where they were staying for a sleepover.

The 4.3-metre long python asphyxiated the boys, autopsy reports said. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Health

New measles case reported in Toronto

The measles count in Ontario rose Thursday, with officials in Toronto reporting they found another adult infected with the disease.

The infected person had received the recommended two doses of vaccine, said Lenore Bromley, media relations manager for Toronto Public Health. While the vaccine is considered highly effective, about five per cent of people who get two doses may not be fully protected.

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Surveillance

Woman detained in China released, husband still jailed

China's Foreign Ministry says a Canadian woman detained with her husband on suspicion of stealing state secrets has been released on bail. Ministry spokesman Hong Lei said Thursday that Julia Garratt was released.

Hong said both have been charged with stealing secrets and spying and the woman's husband, Kevin, is now under criminal detention. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Jim Watson joins big-city mayors to talk funding hopes

Ottawa Mayor Jim Watson scrums with the media as he attends the Big Cities Summit hosted by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) in Toronto on Thursday. The mayors hope to leverage a looming federal election into billions of dollars worth of commitments for transit, affordable housing and other big-money projects. While the 18 politically diverse mayors would not as a group be looking to endorse a particular party, they weren't shy about wanting to see their needs attended to. Big cities account for about two-thirds of the country's population, they noted, but nearly one half of the country's federal ridings — 142 seats — are in large urban centres.

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Top court to release ruling on right to die

Decision. Landmark case could have far-reaching consequences

The country's top court is releasing what could be a landmark decision Friday on the right of the terminally ill to end their lives — a ruling that could have implications for Canada's aging population, as well as doctors and politicians.

The case has pitted the federal government against the Province of Quebec, divided doctors, and forced religious groups to face off against patients on the verge of dying.

Observers on both sides of the debate agree little, except the three possible outcomes.

The moral, legal and political issues raised by a debate that has polarized the country were sparked by an 89-year-old woman with a degenerative spinal condition who travelled

to Switzerland in 2010 to do something she could not do at home in Vancouver: end her life under medical supervision with the counsel, comfort and assistance of her family.

Kay Carter's daughter, Lee, brought the case before the courts in British Columbia and convinced a provincial court judge that a law making it a crime to help someone commit suicide is a violation of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

The decision, overturned on appeal, has snaked its way up to the Supreme Court of Canada where the controversial question of euthanasia, assisted suicide and the sanctity of human life will be revisited more than two decades after the 1993 ruling barring ALS patient Sue Rodriguez from ending her life.

The Canadian Medical Association, which lobbies on behalf of the country's physicians, has said it is prepared to help lawmakers draft new rules if

government arguments on a variety of issues. Here are four cases:

- **April 11, 2014:** The government's Truth in Sentencing Act sought to stop judges from routinely giving inmates extra credit for time spent in jail before custody. The court rules judges have the discretion to allow up to 1.5 days credit for a day served pre-sentence.

Possible outcomes

There are thought to be three possible outcomes of the Supreme Court ruling on whether to overturn laws on assisted suicide and euthanasia:

- **Judges maintain ban on end-of-life options:** This outcome would impact Quebec, where euthanasia has been legalized.
- **Judges reverse ban on end-of-life options:** This would force the federal government to rewrite sections of the Criminal Code, and could

force provinces to work on laws to provide euthanasia and assisted suicide for dying patients.

- **A split ruling to allow assisted suicide and uphold euthanasia ban:** This possible outcome would maintain the ban on end-of-life options, but would leave open the possibility of further legal fights brought by those whose physical disabilities prevent them from administering the lethal drugs necessary.

necessary, and recently adopted a policy allowing that in some cases of great suffering it may be appropriate to give in to a patient's request to die.

The coalition of groups opposed to the legalization of euthanasia and assisted suicide

are also optimistic about a ruling in their favour.

"It's the only safe decision for our society," said Nicolas Steenhout, director of Vivre dans la Dignité, a Montreal-based organization.

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Supreme Court vs. government

The Supreme Court of Canada will rule Friday on the constitutionality of doctor-assisted suicide, a practice opposed by the Conservative government.

The court has, of late, repeatedly ruled against federal

- **March 21, 2014:** The court rules 6-1 that semi-retired Federal Court of Appeal Justice Marc Nadon, named to the Supreme Court by Prime Minister Stephen Harper in September 2013, is ineligible to sit. They find he does not meet the special criteria laid out for candidates from Quebec.

- **Dec. 20, 2013:** The court strikes down the country's laws prohibiting brothels, streetwalk-

ing and living off the avails of prostitution. The Harper government had strongly argued in favour of the laws. The 9-0 court decision gave the government a year to enact a new statute, which resulted in Bill C-36 being enacted last November. Many legal experts expect the new law will also face a constitutional challenge.

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Boko Haram

Extremists under attack turn fury on Cameroonians

Nigerian Islamic extremists on the run from a massive, three-nation offensive took revenge Thursday on civilians in neighbouring Cameroon, shooting and burning scores to death and razing mosques

and churches. France's president warned that the world is not doing enough to end the wanton killings by Boko Haram.

Cameroonian officials said more than 500 wounded people are trapped in the town of Fotokol, where fighting began Wednesday and continued Thursday. They said Boko Haram fighters are using civilians as shields.

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Argentina

Gov't focuses on former spy chief in death of prosecutor

The spy novel-like drama that has gripped Argentina since the mysterious death of President Cristina Fernandez's nemesis took a critical new twist Thursday when investigators called one of the country's most

enigmatic spy chiefs to testify before them.

The testimony by Antonio Stiuso, who was dismissed in December and whose whereabouts were unknown, could be key to determining whether Fernandez is able to survive the storm in the waning months of her presidency, or whether the deepening scandal will swamp her administration.

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Church

Pope says it's OK to spank kids

Pope Francis says it's OK to spank your children to discipline them — as long as their dignity is maintained.

Francis made the remarks this week during his weekly general audience, which was devoted to the role of fathers in the family. Francis outlined the traits of a good father:

one who forgives but is able to "correct with firmness" while not discouraging the child. "One time, I heard a father in a meeting with married couples say 'I sometimes have to smack my children a bit, but never in the face so as to not humiliate them,'" Francis said. "How beautiful!" Francis remarked. "He knows the sense of dignity! He has to punish them but does it justly and moves on."

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Leaders back new Ukraine peace plan

Talks. German chancellor and French president to meet Putin on Friday in Moscow

Carrying a peace plan that reportedly incorporates proposals from Russia, the leaders of Germany and France met Thursday with Ukrainian Petro Poroshenko in a hastily arranged mission to bring an end to the accelerated fighting in the east of the country.

The trip by German Chancellor Angela Merkel and French President Francois Hollande, who will follow by meeting Russian President Vladimir Putin on Friday in Moscow, came as concerns rose about whether the U.S. would grant lethal

aid to Ukraine and as NATO formed a quick-reaction force of 5,000 soldiers in response to Russia's increased military muscle-flexing.

The high-level diplomacy came as resurgent fighting killed eight more people in eastern Ukraine and fuelled fears the conflict is threatening Europe's overall security. More than 5,300 people have been killed since the fighting started in April.

The top NATO commander, U.S. Air Force Gen. Philip Breedlove, said Thursday that Russia continues to supply the separatists with heavy, state-of-the-art weapons, air defences and fighters.

In comments to reporters after the talks with Poroshenko, Kerry urged Russia to show its commitment to a peaceful, diplomatic solution to the conflict in east-

ern Ukraine by ceasing its military support for the separatists and bringing them to the negotiation table.

"Our choice is diplomacy," Kerry said, making no mention of providing Ukraine with lethal military aid.

At a later news conference with Ukrainian Prime Minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk, Kerry said President Barack Obama "is reviewing all his options; among those options obviously is the possibility of providing defensive systems to Ukraine."

"We are not interested in a proxy war. Our objective is to change Russia's behaviour," he said.

Nonetheless, U.S. lethal aid to Ukraine would likely intensify the conflict and further polarize the West and Russia.

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Jordanians rally against ISIL

Jordanians chant slogans to show their support for the government against terror during a rally in Amman, Jordan, Thursday. Jordanian warplanes bombed ISIL targets on Thursday, state TV said, after Jordan's King Abdullah II vowed to wage a "harsh" war against the militants who control large areas of neighbouring Syria and Iraq.

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Taiwan plane crash survivor says engine 'did not feel right'

From the start of the flight in Taiwan's capital, survivor Huang Jin-sun suspected trouble.

"There was some sound next to me. It did not feel right shortly after takeoff. The engine did not feel right," the 72-year-old man told ETV television Thursday from his hospital bed.

Huang was one of 15 people who survived when the TransAsia Airways turbojet carrying 58 people crashed Wednesday into a river minutes after taking off in Taipei. At least 32 people died and 11 are still missing.

Moments before the plane banked sharply and crashed, one of its pilots

told the control tower, "Mayday, mayday, engine flameout," according to an aviation official who asked not to be identified.

"Engine flameout" refers to flames being extinguished in the combustion chamber of the engine, so that it shuts down and no longer drives the propeller. Causes could include a lack of fuel or being struck by volcanic ash, a bird or some other object. "Mayday" is an international distress call.

The airline and the Taiwan Civil Aeronautical Administration have declined to speculate on the cause of the crash, the latest in a series of disasters befalling Asian airlines.

The ATR 72-600 plane, less than a year old, had one of its engines replaced by Pratt & Whitney Canada last April before it went into service because of a glitch with the original engine, the airline said. The plane's black boxes were recovered overnight and are likely to provide more clues.

Video images of Flight 235's final moments in the air captured on car dashboard cameras appear to show the left engine's propeller at standstill as the aircraft turned sharply, its wings becoming vertical and clipping a highway bridge before plunging into the Keelung River in Taipei.

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Emergency. 'Stop whining,' 911 operator tells teen girl after dad is fatally struck

An emergency-services dispatcher twice told an emotional 13-year-old girl to "stop whining" as her father lay dying after a hit-and-run, according to a recording of the call obtained Thursday.

The accident occurred on a highway about halfway between Washington and Baltimore. The dispatcher has been reassigned to a position away from the public pending an investigation, said Fire Capt. Russ Davies. The dispatcher, whose name Davies

Call details

During the five-minute call, the dispatcher asks the teen for more details about her location and about what happened. She answers many questions but struggles to remain calm.

declined to release, could return to answering calls but could also face termination.

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Death Row Records

Former mogul leaves hospital, back in custody

Former rap mogul Marion "Suge" Knight left a California hospital and went back to jail a day after complaining of chest pains shortly after pleading

not guilty to murder in a deadly hit-and-run.

The Death Row Records founder is charged with intentionally hitting and killing a man and injuring another with his truck.

Knight is accused of running down and killing his friend Terry Carter, 55, and trying to kill Cle "Bone" Sloan, 51.

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Paris restricts action-flick filming over terror attack



Soldiers patrol near the Louvre in Paris. LAURENT CIPRIANI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Movie industry.

Paris police feel the actors in uniform could be targets for terrorists and cause confusion among the public

Fearing that actors could be mistaken for police and chase scenes confused for the real thing, Paris is sharply restricting filming of action movies in the city that has been the stage for some of film's most memorable high-octane sequences. Filming

Quoted

"It could have an impact on the big American productions."

Agnes Naggeotte, of the Cinema Mission of the City of Paris. Paris is holding its annual Film Set Fair this week, hoping that it will continue to attract big productions.

outside scenes with police, army or security services was quietly banned after the attacks in the French capital that left 20 dead, including three gunmen.

The telegenic city has long been a favoured filming location, especially for chase scenes that feature some of the world's most recognizable landmarks.

Luc Besson's 2014 box-office hit *Lucy*, with Scarlett Johansson, features a police chase next to the Louvre — unfeasible under the new rules.

"Had Luc Besson wanted to film this now, it would be impossible," said William Trillaud, set fixer for the movie. The same may have been true of 2014's blockbuster *Edge of Tomorrow*, which was partly filmed in the French capital, starring Emily Blunt and Tom Cruise. Matt Damon's famed *Mini Cooper* chase in the *Bourne Identity* also wouldn't have happened.

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Clothing suppliers

Ethical wear for federal workers

Mounties, prison guards and park wardens could soon be sporting duds made in an ethical way. Public Works — which buys uniforms and work wear for federal government employees — is giving serious thought to going to suppliers who follow strict labour laws and have good working conditions, a document shows. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Vatican

Pope tells kids he's computer-illiterate

Pope Francis has made a confession of sorts, telling a 16-year-old girl from Spain that he doesn't have a clue about how to work a computer.

The 78-year-old Francis made the confession Thursday during a Google Hangout with several disabled kids from around the world. The children involved showed Francis how they make use of technology, including braille keypads, tablets and video cameras.

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Twitter

Google makes search easier

Twitter has reportedly reached a deal with Google to make tweets more easily searchable.

According to a Bloomberg report, Google will now have better access to Twitter's constant stream of 140-character missives from its 284-million users worldwide, giving people the ability to search tweets in real-time.

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Liquidation sale misses its Target

Retail. Promised 30% discount items hard to find, leaving bargain-hunters frustrated

Bargain hunters who expected to unearth major deals at their local Target stores on Thursday, the first day of its liquidation sale, were sure to be disappointed once they got a look at the prices.

Store signs that promised discounts of up to 30 per cent yielded to shelves with price cuts mostly in the 10- to 20-per-cent range.

"I'm not super-impressed, really," said Paul Boychuk, who walked into a Toronto Target store expecting better savings.

The elusive deeper discounts quickly became a conversation piece for customers who roamed the store aisles, discussing the savings, or lack

of them, on their cellphones.

Liquidation sales began at Target's 133 stores across the country after an Ontario court gave the go-ahead for the sale on Wednesday, less than a month after the U.S. retailer announced its intention to leave Canada.

Despite some complaints, the 30 per cent discount did exist — if shoppers were looking for cosmetics or women's accessories. Most everything else in the store was reduced by less, with clearance sales on items such as diapers, dishes, and most electronics discounted by 10 per cent.

Apple products, such as the iPad and iPod Touch, were just five per cent off.

Customer traffic spiked at Target locations across the country compared with an average day at the store.

Lineups began forming outside one location in Toronto before sunrise as hopeful shoppers looked to be

first inside for the best buys. By the time employees threw open the doors, more than 50 people had gathered and within an hour several hundred were walking the aisles.

Olivia Dupuis was an occasional Target Canada shopper during the company's brighter days and said Target's departure will leave a retail hole. "It was a one-stop shop ... I liked certain brands they had, so I'll miss that," she said at a Toronto store.

As with most liquidations, the discounts are likely to grow as time goes by and the company looks to clear out product that hasn't sold. Target hopes to be out of Canada before the summer with the goal of closing all of its stores by mid-May.

Not everyone will miss Target Canada, including Boychuk, who said he finds the best deals on e-commerce retailer Amazon.

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Hacking. Sony Pictures head gets reassigned

Amy Pascal will step down as co-chairwoman of Sony Pictures Entertainment and head of the film studio, nearly three months after a massive hack hit the company and revealed embarrassing emails.

Pascal, one of the most powerful women in Hollywood and the force behind such critical and commercial hits as *The Social Network* and *American Hustle*, will launch a major new production venture at the studio focused on movies, television and theatre, Sony Pictures said. Her career with Sony has spanned nearly 20 years.

During the hack, Pascal came under fire for racist remarks about U.S. President Barack Obama's presumed choice in movies that surfaced in leaked emails. Pascal also faced criticism for greenlighting the film that may have inspired the hacking to begin with: *The Interview*.

Pascal will transition to the new venture in May. Sony Pictures will finance Pascal



under a four-year contract.

Since Pascal has led the studio, Sony Pictures has amassed over \$46 billion US in global theatrical box office revenue and 315 academy award nominations. Some of the films Pascal shepherded include the last three James Bond films, *The Da Vinci Code*, *Adaptation*, *Eat Pray Love*, *The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo*, *Moneyball*, and *Zero Dark Thirty*.

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DVD rentals. Redbox pulling out of Canada

DVD and Blu-ray rental company Redbox is shutting down its Canadian operations and pulling its rental kiosks out of Canada.

Chicago-based Redbox announced Thursday that it made the decision after failing to generate sufficient business at its 1,400 rental kiosks across the country.

In a telephone interview from Los Angeles, company president Mark Horak said the last date for rentals will be Feb. 13, with the last return date on March 5.

Most of the kiosks and their contents are expected to be removed and returned to the United States by the end of March.

Asked how many employees and contractors would be affected by the shutdown, Horak would say only "very few."

Redbox landed in Canada in mid-2012 and set up most of its machines at grocery and convenience stores.

Physical media has been declining in popularity for several years as more viewers turn to streaming video and video-on-demand options.

Last summer, Canadian DVD rental company Zip.ca shut down its Ottawa-based DVD-by-mail operation and removed its rental kiosks from grocery stores in parts of the country.

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Severance not lottery win

That severance package might have to last a while if you're among the thousands of Canadians affected by the spate of recent job cuts.

Jeff Schwartz, executive director of Consolidated Credit Counselling Services of Canada Ltd., said sums paid to departing employees are too often treated as lottery winnings. "And that's the exact wrong thing to do. This should be rationed out.

It should be saved," he said.

Severance is meant to "bridge the gap" for taking care of the essentials while an employee is out of work, he said, so any lump sum should be kept readily available. Paying down debt or investing should take a backseat for the time-being.

A lot of Canadians are in a tough spot these days. U.S. retailer Target announced last month it's closing up shop in

Canada, leaving 17,000 staff out of a job. Oil prices have shrivelled below US\$50 a barrel, leading to widespread cutbacks across Alberta's oilpatch. Some 350 Tim Hortons employees are out of work.

Lawyer Kim Nutz figures her office is fielding between 30 and 50 calls a day from folks seeking a severance review. Her firm is based in Calgary, the white-collar heart of the oilpatch. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



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HANDS OFF MY CHIANTI, GOVERNMENT



THE KOHLER REPORT

By Rebecca Kohler

For the most part, Canada hasn't dealt with Prohibition since the 1920s (though P.E.I. was dry until 1948, suckers) and I'm not saying we deal with Prohibition now — but, if you take a look around this country, it might feel like you're at least dealing with Prohibition's stubborn grandchild.

For a brief moment, it looked like the idea of selling beer in corner stores was back on the table here in Ontario, but that wish/dream/desperate longing was thwarted this week when Premier Kathleen Wynne announced that while changes are coming, convenience store beer would not be one of them.

Ontario is not alone in its archaic, condescending liquor laws. Aside from Quebec, and Newfoundland and Labrador, most provinces do not allow the sale of beer in corner stores, instead selling the beverage in a mix of highly regulated public and privately-owned stores. Why is buying beer almost as annoying as renewing my health card?

The history is deep. In most provinces,

when Prohibition came to an end and average citizens were again able to legally purchase alcohol, they needed a permit, kind of like a driver's licence, to do so.

Every time you went to your Liquor Control Board, you had to show this permit and the clerk would make a record of what you purchased. Man, I'd be pretty embarrassed if someone had a record of every trip I've made to a liquor store. It would be a novel by now, I'd title it Chianti: A Love Story.

So it's great that things have changed a smidge since early post-Prohibition Canada; I'm also thrilled I'm able to vote as a woman. But it's still no picnic. Meanwhile, you can buy booze in grocery and convenience stores in the U.K., New Zealand, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Bulgaria, Lithuania, Malta, the list is pretty much never-ending. In Japan you can buy beer from street vending machines! And in the States, you can get liquor at the pharmacy, which admittedly grosses me out. Picking up your gout medication at the same place you'll be scoring a bottle of Jack? Settle down, now. But that said, these countries are not falling apart at the seams, and they are not overrun by zombie-like drunks.

What is the worry? That people will all of

Booze hogs, not bozos

The governments aren't stupid. They saw how much money bootleggers made during Prohibition and they wanted a piece of it.

a sudden start guzzling beer just because it's there? That we'll all turn into Barney Gumble from the Simpsons? I guess our governments think this is best for us. But, is it? Think of a hectic Saturday when you have a bunch of errands to run: Dry cleaning, a stop at Canadian Tire, a kids' birthday party drop-off, now grocery shopping and while you're picking out a roast beef you realize, "Frig. I have to go to the liquor store." Now you're late, driving in a rush, you're stressed, you forget to pick up your kids, they develop abandonment issues. Pandemonium!

Then there are places like Nunavut where there are no liquor stores — you have to order alcohol by mail — a precaution taken to help curb alcoholism and stave off drinking-related crimes.

Sadly, this has not helped and thanks to

bootleggers and other providers of illegally sourced alcohol, they're still boozing it up there.

This has less to do with protecting us from our bad habits and more to do with money. The governments aren't stupid. They saw how much money bootleggers made during Prohibition and they wanted a piece of it. In fact, in Ontario, it was the government that decided to start selling alcohol again after the people voted against the idea (don't even get me started on those bozos).

And to this day, the government profits greatly every time you get your bevvvy on — because it knows people are going to drink and they will find a way to do it. Sure, I whine about the walk to the liquor store, but does it stop me from going? No way. I'd crawl there if I had to.

This is a charade! The government "protects us" by keeping our liquor in a cookie jar on a high-up shelf but it's like, "Dude, I know where the ladder is. Could we just keep the cookies on the counter? I have things to do."

Rebecca Kohler is a stand-up comic, writer, actor, gymnast, lawyer and chemist. (Some of this isn't true.) Follow her on Twitter at @becca_kohler

Happy face/Sad face

From double disgraces to temper tantrums by beautiful faces, Metro weighs in on the news that made headlines this week:



LYING LANCE

Here we are again, shaking our heads at Lance Armstrong. This time it's over the disgraced cyclist's admission that he hit a couple of parked cars in Aspen, then let his girlfriend take the blame. Armstrong said he was trying to protect his teenagers from seeing his name in the papers again. Well played, Lance. Well played.



TODDLERS AND TIARAS AND TANTRUMS

This week in sore-loser news, the runner-up in the Miss Amazon pageant snatched the tiara off the winner's head, threw it down and stormed off stage like, well, a toddler. Sheilane Hayalla claimed her rival, Carol Toledo, bought the title.



NENSHI MANIA

Finally, a Canadian mayor is making international headlines for all the right reasons. Calgary's Mayor Naheed Nenshi has been named the best mayor in the world by U.K. research group City Mayors Foundation. Nenshi beat out 120 other mayors to win the title. (Cowboy) hats off to you, Mr. Nenshi!



PUT DOWN THE PHONE!

It's a sign of the times, we suppose. This photo of a boater in California has gone viral after the man was seen texting while a humpback whale breached beside him. Witnesses said he never looked away from his phone and missed the whole thing.



A MILE IN HIS SHOES

A Detroit man who walks 34 kilometres every day to get to work may soon be getting a much-needed car — at least — thanks to a crowdfunding campaign that's raised more than \$230,000. James Robertson, who makes \$11 an hour at a job not accessible by transit, has been walking to work in all weather for 10 years. He's never been late and never missed a day.



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It's our fault that movies are dull

Analysis. As audiences flock to see films based on comic books, video games and old TV shows, more serious and original movies get lost in the shuffle

Who's to blame for Hollywood's current lack of originality?

Are the suits too eager to green-light reboots and sequels?

Are screenwriters so uninspired that they can't think past remaking their favourite 1980s TV shows?

Do actors only consider characters based on video games?

Of course not.

The people responsible for the movie doldrums these days live in your mirrors and selfies.

That's right. If you go to the cinema and didn't check out *Birdman*, *Whiplash* or *Obvious Child*, but did go see *Guardians of the Galaxy* 25 times, you forced Hollywood's hand, guaranteeing another 10 years of the big-screen exploits of comic-book characters, *Rocket Raccoon* and company.

Guardians is a fun movie that people liked and Hollywood is in the business of giving moviegoers what they want.

But the fear is that a constant stream of familiar-feeling films could create a less-discerning audience. If you are fed a steady diet of dog food, eventually you'll get used to the taste.

Birdman is an accessible and entertaining movie. But with a total gross of less than one weekend's business for



Channing Tatum and Mila Kunis star in *Jupiter Ascending*. CONTRIBUTED

In Focus

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Guardians, it's unlikely to inspire a Birdman 2: No Plucking Way.

However, a bigger box office take for films like *Birdman* could inspire more adventurous films, as an antidote to the slew of movies with numbers in their titles.

Big-budget Hollywood doesn't often take the path less trodden.

People went to see *Inception*, but I would argue the reference point for that movie was director

Christopher Nolan — hot off the Batman streak — and not the unique story.

Less successful were originals like *Edge of Tomorrow*, despite the usually winning mix of great reviews and Tom Cruise, and *Transcendence*, the computer hard drive horror that brought Johnny Depp's box office average way down.

Despite those high-profile failures, this weekend, Warner Brothers has gone off the map to show support for an original story from The Matrix directors, the Wachowskis.

Jupiter Ascending is a space opera about genetic-

Richard's Ratings

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ally engineered warrior Caine (Channing Tatum) who helps human janitor Jupiter Jones (Mila Kunis) take her place as heir to the galaxy.

Big stars, big-name directors and a new story should appeal, but already the knives are out.

"Jupiter Ascending looks like a great movie," wrote @RickIngraham on twitter, "to never see."

Jupiter Ascending will rise or fall based on audience interest, but if it tanks, it'll be harder for other unusual stories to get made.

There are already at least 30 sequels, reboots and spin-offs scheduled for 2015 — everything from *Star Wars: The Force Awakens* to *Paul Blart: Mall Cop II* — so unless you want another *Daddy Day Care* reboot in 2016, get out of your comfort zone and see something new and original today.

2 SCENE

Lego Movie songwriter is sorry for the earworm

Awards season. Jaunty tune called Everything is Awesome has gotten a bit too ubiquitous for musician's relatives

Canadian-reared songwriter Joshua Bartholomew and his wife Lisa Rae Harriton co-wrote the earworm Everything is Awesome from The Lego Movie — and he's very sorry.

"I've apologized to so many people," Bartholomew said in a recent telephone interview. "I live in L.A. now but most of my family is back in Canada, and many of them are educators, teachers."

"I got so many emails and texts saying: 'What have you done?' All their students were singing it."

Bartholomew and Harriton, who together go by Jo Li, were invited aboard the Lego project by the movie's studio after Shawn Patterson crafted the song's first draft.

Now, the jaunty tune is in the running at Sunday's 57th



A still from the Lego Movie CONTRIBUTED

Grammy Awards (for best song written for visual media) and at the Oscars on Feb. 22 (for best original song), although Patterson is the only contributor named on the Oscar nod.

The pair reworked a "couple things" from Patterson's version, changed lyrics

and, most drastically, altered the production in their own take, which they sang together. That recording of the song appears in the film, while a version by Calgary's Tegan and Sara was released as a single.

Bartholomew, 30, says producers requested a tune that served a dual purpose.

"First they wanted it to be a song that was this oppressive, Orwellian, catchy sort of song that brainwashed everybody in the Lego community to follow their rules," he explained. "But it had to turn around at the end of the movie and become their anthem of freedom."



Songwriter Joshua Bartholomew CONTRIBUTED

Bartholomew has written songs for Emerson Drive (Let Your Love Speak) and Esthero (Over) while releasing music under his own name as well. He says he's in the process of getting a band off the ground with Nick Perri, brother of Jar of Hearts singer Christina Perri.

But this is certainly a game-changing hit for the cheerful Bartholomew, who is now settled down south.

His dad was in the military, and Bartholomew grew up on the move, spending most of his life in Alliston, Ont. His musical parents surrounded him with instruments and he learned drums, piano, guitar and bass before his adolescence was through.

"You have a lot of time in Canada in the winter," he chuckled. "It gets cold. You hole up inside and figure out how to get stuff done."

In January 2011, Bartholomew wandered down to L.A., intending to meet with publishers for a few weeks. He didn't leave. He lived in a trailer and built the social circle that eventually helped him and his wife land the blockbuster Lego gig.

"Now my wife and I have a house. I sold the trailer," he said. "I do miss it though. I grew up in Canada, camping in the summer for the whole summer by the lake. I'm definitely a nomad by nature."

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Quinto, Wilkinson could join Oliver Stone's Snowden movie

Casting. Roles of two Guardian journalists and filmmaker Laura Poitras are up for grabs

Melissa Leo, Zachary Quinto and Tom Wilkinson are in talks to board Oliver Stone's forthcoming Edward Snowden movie, which will centre on the former NSA contractor who leaked classified documents to the press in 2013, TheWrap reveals.

Leo is negotiating the role of filmmaker Laura Poitras, who helmed the 2014 documentary Citizenfour on the Snowden story. Wilkinson and Quinto are in talks to play the journalists Ewen MacAskill and Glenn Greenwald, respectively, who helped Snowden to disseminate the confidential documents he obtained from the American agencies.

The infamous former CIA employee and NSA contractor will be played by Joseph Gordon-Levitt (Don Jon), while Shailene Woodley

(Divergent) will play his girlfriend. Scott Eastwood (Fury) will play an NSA agent.

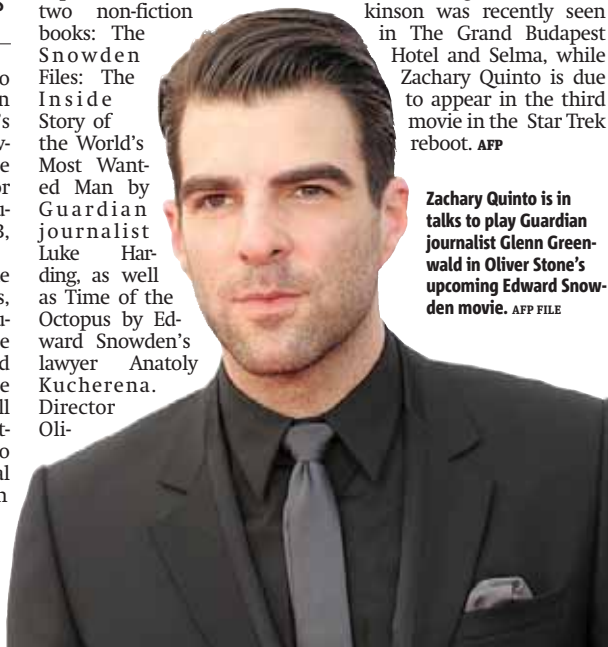
The untitled project is expected to draw on two non-fiction books: The Snowden

Files: The Inside Story of the World's Most Wanted Man by Guardian journalist Luke Harding, as well as Time of the Octopus by Edward Snowden's lawyer Anatoly Kucherena. Director Oli-

ver Stone is slated to begin principal photography soon.

Melissa Leo earned an Oscar in 2011 for her supporting role in The Fighter. Tom Wilkinson was recently seen in The Grand Budapest Hotel and Selma, while Zachary Quinto is due to appear in the third movie in the Star Trek reboot. **AFP**

Zachary Quinto is in talks to play Guardian journalist Glenn Greenwald in Oliver Stone's upcoming Edward Snowden movie. **AFP FILE**



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From Ned Stark to immortal Internet meme

Actor interview.

Sean Bean talks about web fame and working with the Wachowskis on *Jupiter Ascending*

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Metro World News in Hollywood

Sean Bean has made a career in big-budget genre fare, from James Bond to *The Lord of the Rings* to *Game of Thrones*.

His latest sends him to outer space with co-directors Andy and Lana Wachowski for *Jupiter Ascending*, in which Bean plays a human-bee hybrid helping an unwitting earthling (Mila Kunis) embrace her true heritage as one of the most powerful beings in the universe.

That career of his, by the way, has also inspired an entire sub-genre of Internet memes, remixing his more famous lines for commentary on sports, politics,



Sean Bean plays a human-bee hybrid helping out earthling Jupiter (Mila Kunis) in *Jupiter Ascending*. CONTRIBUTED

pop culture or anything, really. Not that he necessarily knows what a meme is, exactly.

When you're working with the Wachowskis, do you ever play one off of the other, since you have two directors?

You mean try and get one pissed off with the other one?

Say you don't necessarily like the direction one of them's giving you...

No, no (laughs). It was quite good, really, because if Andy was directing, Lana would take a back seat, and vice versa. It was actually kind of hard to distinguish because they were so kind of focused and singular in what they wanted to get. They have kind of different

styles. I guess Andy was a bit more physically oriented than Lana. She was more cerebral and low-key in the sense that she wanted a very kind of even reading, a very natural kind of rendition. I guess, because we were in a sci-fi film, it's quite easy to push it maybe too much, and she didn't like that. She liked it quieter, which I totally agree with. It's an

interesting kind of thing to think about. People don't actually declaim everything. Every scene you're in, if you've got one line, sometimes it's important but it's not, you know, in the scheme of things it's just a simple, natural reading. That was quite interesting, listening to them and improving it in terms of what we were doing.

How aware are you of the Internet memes built up around your characters?

Kind of, I think. Yes, I saw one that said, "One does not simply walk into Bramall Lane," which I thought was quite good because my soccer team is Sheffield United. We played the Spurs the other night, and that was the thing: "One does not simply walk into Bramall Lane."

What is it like to actually be an Internet meme?

Is that what it is, a meme? I'm a meme? It's quite good, yeah. And it can be applied to lots of situations, that

More online!

- As a special treat, we got Sean Bean to indulge us by doing a live-reading of some of the more ridiculous Sean Bean Memes we could come up with. Go online to metronews.ca to see the results. You won't be sorry.



"One does not simply ..." line. Yeah, it's great.

Also, on behalf of all people named Ned, I wanted to thank you for giving us someone cool in pop culture with our name. Oh yeah. Ned Stark, yeah. I don't really meet a lot of Neds. It's an unusual name. What's it short for, Edward? That's a good name.

My mom seems to think so. Definitely a good name, yeah.

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Director. Paul Tibbitt

Stars. Tom Kenny

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Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 🍅 77% Audience: + 89%

Drama



Seventh Son

Director. Sergey Bodrov

Stars. Jeff Bridges, Julianne Moore

In a time long past, an evil is about to be unleashed that will reignite the war between the forces of the supernatural and humankind once more. Master Gregory is a knight who had imprisoned the malevolently powerful witch, Mother Malkin, centuries ago. But now she has escaped and is seeking vengeance.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: No reviews yet Audience: 🍅 51%

Comedy



Jupiter Ascending

Director. Andy Wachowski, Lana Wachowski

Stars. Mila Kunis, Channing Tatum

From the streets of Chicago to the far-flung galaxies whirling through space, *Jupiter Ascending* tells the story of Jupiter Jones (Mila Kunis), who was born under a night sky, with signs predicting she was destined for great things.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 🍅 37% Audience: + 97%

Mystery/Sci-Fi



Project Almanac

Director. Dean Israelite

Stars. Sophia Black-D'Elia, Jonny Weston

A brilliant high school student and his friends uncover blueprints for a mysterious device with limitless potential, inadvertently putting lives in danger.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 🍅 36% Audience: 🍅 52%

Drama



Winter Sleep

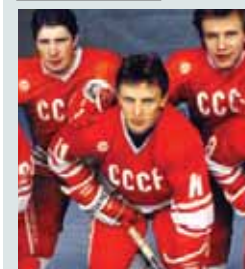
Director. Nuri Bilge Ceylan

Stars. Haluk Bilginer, Demet Akbag

Aydin, a former actor, runs a small hotel in central Anatolia with his young wife Nihal with whom he has a stormy relationship and his sister Necla who is suffering from her recent divorce. In winter as the snow begins to fall, the hotel turns into a shelter but also an inescapable place that fuels their animosities.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 🍅 88% Audience: 🍅 86%

Documentary



Red Army

Director. Gabe Polsky

Stars. Scotty Bowman, Mark Deakins

Red Army is a documentary about the Soviet Union and the most successful dynasty in sports history: the Red Army hockey team. Told from the perspective of its captain Slava Fetisov, the story portrays his transformation from national hero to political enemy.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 🍅 97% Audience: + 82%

Film looks at Mexican drug war through eyes of Texans

Documentary. Ross brothers spent months in a small town on the Rio Grande to shoot latest movie, *Western*

Documentary directors and brothers Bill and Turner Ross have made a career out of examining microcosms in the modern American landscape — from their first film, *45365*, about their middle-class hometown of Sidney, Ohio, to *Tchoupitoulas*, which follows three young brothers wandering around New Orleans at night.

Their latest film, *Western*, takes them to a foreign territory: the Mexican border.

The film, which picked up a special jury award for verité filmmaking at this year's Sundance Film Festival, transports the audience to the once harmonious, now violence-plagued border towns of Eagle Pass, Texas, and Piedras Negras, Mexico.

"The Rio Grande is a natural boundary in visualizing the frontier," explained Turner. "If you're talking about something as visual as a film and using landscapes, I think the most iconic way to do that is to see two cities on either side of the river."

This new frontier is shown through the eyes of real-life cattleman Martin (pronounced Marteen) Wall and Eagle Pass's longtime mayor Chad Foster, both of whom have had their livelihoods challenged by the increasingly imminent threat of drug cartel violence.

But it's not a political movie. *Western* is atmospheric, inventive and immersive.

The Ross brothers say their father, a high-school history teacher, taught them that history is not just "facts and texts."

"Those people are real and they fell in and out of love and they had dreams. He instilled in us an appreciation of the moment you're in. We've always tried to capture

the fleeting moment," said Bill.

Inspired by the likes of *The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance*, *The Ox-Bow Incident* and "a lot of the psychedelic Westerns of the '70s," the brothers set up residency in Eagle Pass for 13 months, entrenching themselves in the lives of the townspeople.

While shooting, Wall even took Turner shopping for

more appropriate frontier clothes.

"A couple of times, it just got too real and it wasn't worth it. We like making movies, we like going on adventures, but if someone gets lost, it ain't worth it," said Bill.

"We had to make sure we were with the right people, shaking the right hands. As Bill said, we weren't trying to

get killed," added Turner.

Ultimately, though, the brothers are just interested in people, and "sitting on a porch with somebody all day and trying to get a better grasp of what they're doing," said Bill.

"It's our life as well, and, in the end, there's a document to share," said Turner.

"(Westerns) represent the times that they're from.

That's why we engage in that genre. That's why we call the film that. How does this medium, that is at once so familiar in everyone's personal mythology, also reflect the times that it's a part of?" said Turner.

Up next? *The Northeast*. "That one's more about the people than the place, though," said Bill.

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Documentary directors Turner Ross, left, and Bill Ross focus on a small Texas border town and its battles against Mexican drug cartels. CONTRIBUTED

Ross brothers filmography

- **45365 (2009).** A documentary exploring the brothers' hometown of Sidney, Ohio.
- **Dinosaur Curtains (2010).** Short film on a family awaiting their turn on *Who Wants To Be A Millionaire*.
- **Tchoupitoulas (2012).** A documentary that follows three brothers through late-night New Orleans.
- **River (2014).** The Ross brothers travel in a houseboat down the Mississippi from Ohio to New Orleans.

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When you get music's biggest names — and egos — all in one room, you can expect drama to ensue. From frenemies, to relationship drama, and trash talk about who really deserves to win, the 57th Grammy Awards are shaping up to be the most controversial yet. Here's what to keep an eye out for

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5 controversies about this year's Grammys

Everyone has an opinion about Iggy Azalea

As soon as it was announced that Iggy Azalea was nominated for Best Rap Album (up against Childish Gambino, Common, Schoolboy Q, Wiz Khalifa and Eminem), musicians didn't hold back declaring how they felt, especially those who feel she is appropriating black culture, including Q-Tip and Solange Knowles. Most publicly, Azealia Banks slammed her in an interview with Hot 97 saying, "The Grammys are supposed to be awards for artistic excellence. Iggy Azalea is not excellent." Azalea also has a public feud going on with Eminem, also nominated, after he alluded to rape while mentioning her in his song Vegas. Given all the drama, Best Rap Album is the award on everyone's mind.

Iggy Azalea GETTY IMAGES

Will Selena Gomez show up with Zedd?



Selena Gomez and Zedd
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Between their flirty Instagrams and constant sightings together, the rumour mill is abuzz that Zedd has replaced Justin Bieber as the leading man in Gomez's life. But seeing as though they haven't made things "official" yet, the red carpet watch is in full effect. Will they use this moment as their chance to confirm the relationship. You watching, Biebs?

Bad Blood between Taylor Swift and Katy Perry continues



Katy Perry GETTY IMAGES

Swift and Perry still haven't buried the hatchet for their public frenemy drama, and given that both singers are nominated, they'll both be there, with their game faces on. How far away will they be sitting from each other? Will they run into each other on the red carpet or at any after parties? Will they shock everyone by posing for a photo together? One thing is sure, we'll all be watching.

Wishful winners vs. likely winners

The Grammy Awards go live Sunday and you've forgotten who was nominated, haven't you? It's all right. Here are the nominations for the main awards. The ones we think will win are in green, and the ones we hope will win are in purple.

Record of the Year

- **Fancy** — Iggy Azalea featuring Charli XCX
- **Chandelier** — Sia
- Stay with Me (Darkchild Version) — Sam Smith
- Shake It Off — Taylor Swift
- All About That Bass — Meghan Trainor

Album of the Year

- Morning Phase — Beck
- **Beyoncé** — **Beyoncé**
- x — Ed Sheeran
- In the Lonely Hour — Sam Smith
- G I R L — Pharrell Williams

Song of the Year

- **All About That Bass**
- Chandelier
- Shake It Off
- Stay with Me (Darkchild Version)
- **Take Me to Church**

Best New Artist

- **Iggy Azalea**
- Bastille
- Brandy Clark
- HAIM
- **Sam Smith**

Best Pop Solo Performance

- All of Me (Live) — John Legend
- **Chandelier** — **Sia**
- Stay With Me (Darkchild Version) — Sam Smith
- **Shake It Off** — **Taylor Swift**
- Happy (Live) — Pharrell Williams

Best Pop Duo/Group Performance

- Fancy — Iggy Azalea feat. Charli XCX
- A Sky Full of Stars — Coldplay
- Say Something — A Great Big World and Christina Aguilera
- **Bang Bang** — **Jessie J, Ariana Grande, & Nicki Minaj**
- Dark Horse — Katy Perry feat. Juicy J

Best Pop Vocal Album

- Ghost Stories — Coldplay
- Bangerz — Miley Cyrus
- My Everything — Ariana Grande
- Prism — Katy Perry
- x — Ed Sheeran
- **In the Lonely Hour** — **Sam Smith**

Best Rap Album

- **The New Classic** — **Iggy Azalea**
- **Because the Internet** — **Childish Gambino**
- Nobody's Smiling — Common
- The Marshall Mathers LP 2 — Eminem
- Oxymoron — Schoolboy Q
- Blacc Hollywood — Wiz Khalifa

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Sam Smith rumoured by some to beat out Beyoncé

Nominees for the night's biggest award, Album of the Year, include Beck, Beyoncé, Ed Sheeran, Sam Smith and Pharrell Williams. While Beyoncé has become the most nominated female artist in Grammy history with 46 nominations in all (including 17 wins), insiders predict that Sam Smith will overtake the queen. It's a new artist versus a proven pro and the competition is fierce.

Will Ariana Grande show up Madonna?

Madonna may be 56 years old, but she's not slowing down any time soon. Her 13th album Rebel Heart is out later this year and she's performing for the fifth time at the Grammys. But does she still have what it takes to compete with chart-topping teen favourites, like Ariana Grande? Grande has publicly declared her love for Madonna, but she could outshine her idol with her own performance. Tune in to see which pop star has the best performance.

Ariana Grande GETTY IMAGES



Now we'll Sia. Singer turns heads with hits

The Grammys. Showing her face or not, reclusive songwriter Sia earns recognition as pop star

Think it's tough to catch a glimpse of Sia's face during her performances these days? Try booking an interview with the reclusive singer.

The performer, who has risen in the pop music ranks thanks to writing hits for female stars and hitting the charts with her own tunes, has dodged press and even turns her head during live performances. The creative campaign for her latest album, 1000 Forms of Fear, was a success thanks to radio airplay and its highly viewed music videos starring Maddie Ziegler of Dance Moms. Sia's album debuted at No. 1 and Chandelier became a multi-platinum international success.

She even earned four Grammy nominations — though she's not sure she'll attend the big show on Sunday.

"I know, it's getting a little close," longtime manager David Russell said in an interview last week (Sia, obviously, wouldn't be interviewed for this story). "It remains to be seen what we'll do."

Sia and Chandelier earned nominations in the top categories, including song and record of the year.

Russell, who has worked with Sia for more than a decade, said they didn't see the commercial success coming.

"We didn't anticipate that kind of reaction, but that fact that that's come has been extraordinary," he said.

Last year marked a breakthrough for 39-year-old Sia,



Pop singer Sia. GETTY IMAGES

who released her first album in 1997. After writing for a slew of singers, from Rihanna (Diamonds) to Beyoncé (Pretty Hurts), she finally saw her own Top 40 success with Chandelier, a song she originally thought she might send to Rihanna. The writing success came around the time Sia co-starred on David Guetta's Titanium, a song the mega-producer had to convince her to do.

Russell says Alicia Keys was originally considered for Titanium, and even Mary J. Blige cut the track.

"It simply came down to David begging that Sia stay on the record, and wisely she agreed," Russell said. "I mean, it literally happened like two days after she was like, 'That's it. I'm done making my own records. I'm just going to be a behind-the-scenes writer now.'"

Russell says at the time, Sia was becoming famous and it began to make her "feel really uncomfortable" and "really unhappy, so she wanted to put the brakes on that."

But Titanium became a seminal moment for Sia, which was followed by an-

other Top 10 hit, Flo Rida's Wild Ones, which she also sang on and co-wrote.

Sia also has written for Katy Perry, Britney Spears, Christina Aguilera and Kylie Minogue.

Sia's other Grammy nominations include best pop solo performance and music video for Chandelier.

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Battling addiction

Manager David Russell said people should pay attention to his client, "a woman who is 39 years old and isn't trading on sex or accessibility."

• He also adds that Sia's

grown over the years, especially watching her get sober.

• "Getting to a place of recognizing you have an addiction issue and then taking the strides, the

major strides it takes to combat that issue, I can't think of anything more important than finding that spiritual centre and finding sobriety," he said.

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Sia and NYC Gay Men's Chorus backstage during Trailblazers. GETTY IMAGES

Aniston and Theroux hung up on the prenup?

Now solidly in their third year of being engaged, Jennifer Aniston and Justin Theroux are still apparently having trouble working out the finer details of their prenuptial agreement, according to *Us Weekly* — or at least one detail of it.

The sticking point? Whether Theroux should be entitled to any of Aniston's earnings from Netflix for the recent *Friends* deal. "The prenup is pretty much done," a source says. "Jen won't see money from Netflix for about a year, so there has been back and forth about whether her earnings will be considered from during or before their marriage."

Felicity Joneses for the simpler things

The *Theory of Everything* star might seem like one classy dame. I mean, she's British, she tends to focus on high-brow material and she made the first fold of this year's *Vanity Fair* Hollywood cover.

But her personal tastes might surprise you. For instance, she tells *The Violet Files*, she has a weakness for Chicken McNuggets and Britney Spears' ... Baby One More Time — which she sings in the shower. And as for TV? Jones is apparently a *Keeping up with the Kardashians* fan. No, really. "Watching their show is so relaxing," she insists. "It's how I switch off. And they all have an incredible work ethic, don't they?" Do they?

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Johnny Depp and Amber Heard. |GETTY IMAGES

You Heard it here first: Amber and Johnny already hitched

If you were still shopping for a present for Johnny Depp and Amber Heard ahead of their rumoured wedding this weekend, you're too late.

The happy couple — who announced their engagement in December 2012 —

reportedly tied the knot at their home in Los Angeles on Tuesday, *People* magazine reports.

Depp and Heard are still expected to hold their intimate-yet-lavish wedding on his private island in the

Bahamas this weekend for 50 or so of their closest friends, but they went ahead and got the legal part out of the way already. "He's completely in love and can't wait," a source tells *E!* News. Clearly.

Mila Kunis taking full advantage of her new assets

Being a new mother comes with all sorts of amazing gifts, but Mila Kunis is focusing on two in particular.

"Boy did these things grow," she tells Conan O'Brien during an interview, referring to her breasts.

"I don't know how to deal with them because I've never had them. So I always dress for a flat-chested girl, and all of a sudden I'm busty and I'm like, 'Whoa! Check it out!' This is amazing for me. It's a whole new world."



Reunited cast of Bell have a blast at Bayside with Fallon

For his run of shows out of Los Angeles, Jimmy Fallon has promised a lot of special treats on *The Tonight Show*, and last night he certainly delivered.

Fallon pulled off a near-complete *Saved by the Bell* reunion with a skit chronicling his last day as a student at the fabled '90s high school before running off to New York to become a comedian.

For the bit, Fallon roped in Mark-Paul Gosselaar, Elizabeth Berkley, Mario Lopez, Dennis Haskins (that's Mr. Belding to you) and — most impressively — Tiffani Thiessen and got them into pretty perfect approximations of their old wardrobes — giant mobile phone and all.

Fallon had tried for several years during his *Late Night* run to get the various cast members



Jimmy Fallon

together for a reunion, but Thiessen always proved elusive, even prompting her to make a *Funny or Die* video explaining why she was too busy. But I guess her schedule freed up.

But where were Lark Voorhies and recently arrested Dustin Diamond? No one seemed to mention their absence. Funny that.

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Dinner. Endive, Peach and Sausage Pizza combines unlikely textures and flavours



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Calling all culinary weekend warriors: Making your own pizza dough is a lot easier than it sounds, and the tasty results are 100 per cent worth the effort.

Pizza Dough

1. In bowl, combine water, oil

Ingredients

Pizza Dough

- 1 cup (250 ml) warm water
- 3 tbsp (45 ml) olive oil
- 1 tbsp sugar
- 2 3/4 cups (385 g) unbleached all-purpose flour
- 1 1/2 tsp instant dry yeast (quick-rising)
- 1/2 tsp salt

Pizza Toppings

- 4 medium-sized endives, cored and thinly sliced
- 1/2 red onion, thinly sliced
- 3/4 cup (150 g) Rosette de Lyon sausage, cut into 1/4-inch (1/2 cm) dice
- 1/4 cup (60 ml) olive oil
- 2 cups (200 g) grated Gruyère cheese
- 2 ripe but firm peaches, sliced
- Salt and pepper

and sugar. Set aside.

2. In bowl with wooden spoon, combine flour, yeast and salt. Add water mix and combine into soft ball. Knead dough 3 minutes on floured surface.

3. Place dough in clean and lightly oiled bowl. Cover bowl with a damp cloth and let rise in a warm and humid place for about 1 hour or until the dough doubles in size.

Pizza Toppings

1. With rack in lowest position, place pizza stone or an upside-down baking sheet in the oven. Preheat the oven to 450 F (230 C).

2. In bowl, combine endives, onion, sausage and oil. Season with salt and pepper.

3. Cut dough into four pieces. On floured work surface, roll out four 10-inch (25 cm) round crusts. Sprinkle a little cornmeal on hot stone or baking sheet. Use sheet of parchment paper that will allow you to easily slide the dough in the oven.

4. Spread quarter of endive mixture on each crust and sprinkle with quarter of cheese. Bake on hot stone or baking sheet for 10 minutes or until golden brown. Repeat with the remaining crusts.

5. Garnish pizza with peach slices. **FOLLOW RICARDO ON SOCIAL MEDIA AND ON RICARDOCUISINE.COM OR SUBSCRIBE TO HIS MAGAZINE'S ENGLISH EDITION, WHICH LAUNCHED IN 2014.**

Liquid Assets

Think outside the pizza box



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I love pizza.

In my neighbourhood alone, I can order everything from a traditional artisan pie that tastes like I'm in Naples, to a mass-market version the size of a pool table.

The infinite variety of toppings to choose from makes pizza one of the most versatile wine-pairing opportunities.

While I gravitate towards a meatier pie and a glass of red Italian Chianti, this week's recipe from Chef Ricardo really thinks outside the pizza box.

It's not the combination of sausage and endive that's a unique concept. It's the addition of peaches that really makes for an interesting slice.

Both endive and peaches prefer a white wine with a touch of sweetness, and the Viognier and Chenin Blanc grapes provide enough sugary goodness while still finishing fairly dry.

Boekenhoutsloof's 2013 The Wolftrap White (\$12.95 - \$15.99) from South Africa combines both (along with a shot of Grenache Blanc) to create a refreshing, pizza perfect white with soft floral aromas and tropical fruit flavours. **PRICES REFLECT THE RANGE ACROSS THE COUNTRY. SOME PRODUCTS MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE IN ALL PROVINCES.**



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India meets Italy in pizza

1. In a large skillet, brown the chicken in the oil and butter. Season with salt and pepper.

Set aside on a plate.

2. In the same skillet, soften

Ingredients

- 2 skinless and boneless chicken breast halves, cut into strips
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) oil
- 1 tbsp (14 g) butter
- Salt and pepper
- 2 red bell peppers, seeded and cut into strips
- 2 onions, thinly sliced
- 1 clove garlic, finely chopped
- 2 plum tomatoes, seeded and diced
- 2 tsp curry powder
- 1/4 tsp ground cinnamon
- 1/4 tsp crushed red pepper flakes
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) hummus
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) 10% plain yogurt
- 4 store-bought Naan breads
- 2 cups (200 g) grated mozzarella

the peppers, onions and garlic for about 5 minutes. Add butter, if needed. Season with salt and pepper. Add the tomatoes and spices and cook for 2 minutes. Remove the skillet from the heat. Return the chicken to the skillet. Add the hummus and yogurt and stir to combine. Adjust the seasoning.

3. With the rack in the middle position, preheat the oven's broiler.

4. Place the naan bread on



This recipe makes four servings. COURTESY RICARDOCUISINE.COM

two baking sheets. Place the chicken mixture on the bread and sprinkle with the cheese.

5. Bake for about 5 minutes or until the cheese is golden brown. **RICARDO**

STRANGE BREW

A local flavour

Visit Winter Brewfest

After five years of piquing the palates of craft beer lovers in Quebec, the organizers of le Festbiere de Gatineau and Festbiere d'Hiver are ready to raise a glass in Ontario at the inaugural Winter Brewfest at Lansdowne Park.

"We believe that we do things well on the Gatineau side," says Michael O'Farrell, Festbiere's general manager. "We've had an increase in attendance every year, so we kind of want to mirror what we do in Gatineau on the Ottawa side."

Festbiere regulars will probably recognize the heritage feel of the set-up in Lansdowne's



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100-year-old Horticulture Building.

"It resembles our DNA very much. Very rustic, country and industrial. Our set-up consists of a lot of wooden bars and a rustic look, so we're bringing that to Ottawa with a brand new selection of beers."

While Festbiere showcases almost entirely

Quebec brews, Winter Brewfest is all about Ontario craft beer, with an emphasis on local flavours.

"A vast majority of them are from around the region, with Beau's in Vankleek Hill, Stittsville with Covered Bridge, Whitewater near Pembroke," O'Farrell says. "A lot of them

TICKETS AND INFORMATION

Winter Brewfest runs Feb. 13 (4 p.m. to 1 a.m.) and Feb. 14 (11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. to 1 a.m.) in the Horticulture Building at Lansdowne Park. Early bird tickets are available online for \$20, including taxes and a festival glass. Deals are also available on food and drink coupons. To get yours, visit brewfest.ca.

are from the region and then we have a few from the Toronto area."

Also on the team of hometown brewers are Beyond the Pale Brewing Company, Whiprsnapper, Kitchensippi Beer Co, Dominion City, Big Rig, and Bicycle Craft.

Pair them with fish tacos, poutine and tortilla soup at Lansdowne's Local Public Eatery, or for those in search of a different winter brew experience, O'Farrell recommends trying one the special brews that will be served hot.

OLD TRADITIONS AND NEW SENSATIONS

The inaugural Winter Brewfest at Lansdowne Park (Feb. 13-14) will be a tasty mix of old traditions and new sensations.

Craft brewing has experienced a renaissance in the Ottawa area in recent years, but the town has been making beer almost since there has been a town. Winter Brewfest will showcase the best of locally-produced beers, offering sometimes surprising takes on traditional recipes.

History-rich Lansdowne Park, home of the first Central Canada Exhibition in 1888, sits right beside the Rideau Canal, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and a thoroughfare for thirsty skaters this time of year.

The park is also emerging from a major rejuvenation, with added park space, a new stadium and shopping, while keeping its historic character and preserving landmarks like the relocated Horticulture

Building, home of the beer festival.

"They moved it a bit more to the west side of Lansdowne Park," says organizer Michael O'Farrell. "So it has its original century feel and a great location."

Inside, DJs Kid SL, DJ Illo and Xander Situ will mix up a heady concoction of music, while Lansdowne's own Local Public Eatery serves up tempting accompaniment for the host of great local craft beers.



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More space means more styles for Big Rig Brewery

Sample new wares in the on-site taproom

Big Rig Brewery's new production facility is allowing the Ottawa craft brewer to significantly expand its reach.

"It gives us an opportunity to create more beer for the LCBO and to sell to more

restaurants and pubs," says Lon Ladell, Big Rig's co-founder and brewmaster.

Its flagship beer, Big Rig Gold, has been on LCBO shelves for about a year. A second offering — Release The Hounds Black IPA — will join it soon. The American-style black IPA won a gold medal in its category at last year's Canadian Brewing Awards.

"It's got a smooth, dark roasted malt texture," Ladell says. "We put loads of fresh

New Zealand hops in there, so it has a nice tropical fruit, citrus hop flavour, which balances the dark malt quite nicely."

Back at the new brewery at 103 Schneider Rd., Big Rig is giving customers a chance to sample its wares — alongside small plates and snacks — in the on-site taproom, which is open Monday to Friday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday from noon to 4 p.m.

But it's the endless creative possibilities that really excite Ladell about the new brewery.

"I've got more space to play with," he says. "That will allow me to make more interesting styles of beer."

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February brews to fight winter blues

Beau's presents fourth annual FeBREWary

Beau's is fighting the February blues with great February brews, a month of new offerings at the Vankleek Hill brewery and at pubs and restaurants in 37 towns and cities.

"Winter's too long to just hide out at home under a blanket and wait for the season to change," says Beau's co-founder Steve Beauchesne. "We created feBREWary to get people excited and give them a really good reason to get out of hibernation mode — meeting up with friends and trying some tasty new beers every week."

Each weekend, the brewery will host an on-site cask-tapping ceremony, with \$5 small plates by Beau's resident chef Bruce Wood, games, giveaways and prizes.

Here's what's on tap:

FEB. 5-11: Farm Table Mild Ale: "A full-flavoured sessionable brown ale with pleasantly fruity aromas, notes of caramel and gentle hops, and a clean finish." Try it at The Cheshire Cat feBREWary Board Game Day (All

CELEBRATE ALL MONTH LONG

Beau's All-Natural Brewing Co. presents its fourth annual feBREWary beer celebration all month long at the Vankleek Hill brewery and 150 participating pubs and restaurants, with a different featured specialty brew on tap every week. For more information, or to find a participating establishment near you, visit beaus.ca/febrewary.

day Feb. 7, 2193 Richardson Side Road, Carp). Enjoy the in-house board games or bring your own. This event is free.

FEB. 12-18: Strong Patrick Irish Red: "A luscious, red-hued ale with a malty backbone, showcasing toasty toffee notes complemented by some warming alcohol and whiskey



Beau's co-founder Steve Beauchesne in the brewery's on-site retail shop. ANDREW SZETO PHOTO

flavours." Try it at D'Arcy McGee's Strong Patrick Warm-up Party (Feb. 12, 44 Sparks St.) An evening of delicious beer, Irish Music, contest giveaways and contests of strength. This event is free.

FEB. 19-25: Coeur Noir Black IPA: "A hop-forward, obsidian-coloured brew that pulses with citrusy, resinous aromas." Part of the Pro-Am Series and brewed with Jordan Rainhard of

Rainhard Brewing. Try it at Old School Branch Beer Dinner (Feb. 15, The Branch, 15 Clothier St. E, Kemptville.) A five-course dinner and beer pairing with Steve Beauchesne, featuring organic beef from Aubin Farms. Tickets are available at thebranchrestaurant.ca.

FEB. 26 TO MARCH 4: A top-secret new beer from the B-Side Brewing Label. Stay tuned for more information.

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Delicious and inventive

Dominion City Brewing Co.

Since opening its doors last August, Dominion City Brewing Co. has been brewing boundary-pushing beer closely tied to the land and the people who make it possible.

Founded by passionate home brewers with a penchant for celebrating local history, the east end Ottawa brewery has released more than a dozen beers. Dominion City's mainstay lineup consists of three always available beers that are as delicious as they are inventive.

TOWN & COUNTRY BLONDE ALE

A refreshing, easy drinking blond ale with a little something extra. This beer is about contrast, combining soft, malty sweetness and biscuit notes with a mild spicy and citrusy hop crispness.

EARL GREY MARMALADE SAISON

Brewed with fresh-zested oranges and Bridgehead organic Earl Grey tea, Dominion City Earl Grey Marmalade Saison pours a distinctive rusty copper colour with a delicious bergamot aroma. Flavours include contrasting fruity, spicy and tart



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notes that complement its dry, moderately bitter finish.

TWO FLAGS IPA

An assertively hoppy but well-balanced and highly drinkable India Pale Ale, this beer pours a hazy copper with a strong citrus and pineapple aroma. Flavours include burnt sugar, grapefruit and lingering resinous hop bitterness.

Dominion City's beers are on tap at more than 20 bars and restaurants around Ottawa. The bottle shop is located at #15-5510 Canotek Rd. For more, visit dominioncity.ca.

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Dustin Cook said he was "a lot less surprised than most people" about his finish in Beaver Creek, Colo., on Thursday. MARK RALSTON/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

Cook wins silver at super-G world event

Alpine skiing. Ottawa native places second in world championship race, 0.11 off winning time set by Austrian

Dustin Cook returned Canada to the podium at the world alpine ski championship with a silver medal in Thursday's super-G.

The 25-year-old from Ottawa put down a fast run with a late start number to finish second

behind Austrian Hannes Reichelt. Adrien Theaux of France was third.

Canadian skiers Erik Guay and John Kucera won men's world downhill titles in 2011 and 2009, respectively, but Canada was shut out of the medals in Schladming, Austria, in 2013.

Cook has yet to finish in the top 10 in a World Cup race, but indicated he could handle the Birds of Prey course in December when he was 12th in super-G. He matched that career-best result the following week in a super-G in Val-Gardena, Italy.

Starting 28th, Cook put



Dustin Cook
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down a run of one minute 15.79 seconds behind Reichelt's time of 1:15.68.

"I'm a lot less surprised than most people are," Cook told The Associated Press.

His medal is a much-needed spark for the Canadian alpine team that has produced a pair of silver downhill medals this season. Guay has yet to race this season and Olympic super-

G bronze medallist Jan Hudec is not racing in Beaver Creek because of knee injuries.

Manny-Osborne Paradis of Invermere, B.C., arrived in Colorado bruised from a pair of crashes last month in Europe and did not finish Thursday's race. Morgan Priddy of Whistler, B.C., finished 22nd and Ben Thomsen of Invermere was 27th.

American star Bode Miller, who tied with Hudec for Olympic super-G bronze, didn't finish after suffering a deep cut on his leg in a crash.

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NFL

Union pushing for Peterson's reinstatement

Adrian Peterson remains in NFL limbo and his union's latest attempt to restore his playing status will take place in federal court.

Attorneys for the NFL Players Association are scheduled to argue Friday for the Minnesota Vikings running back's reinstatement from a suspension levied by the league under its personal conduct policy. The punishment, stemming from the child abuse case involving Peterson, has sparked another divide between the NFL and the NFLPA over the player discipline process. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Seahawks safety slated for surgery on left shoulder

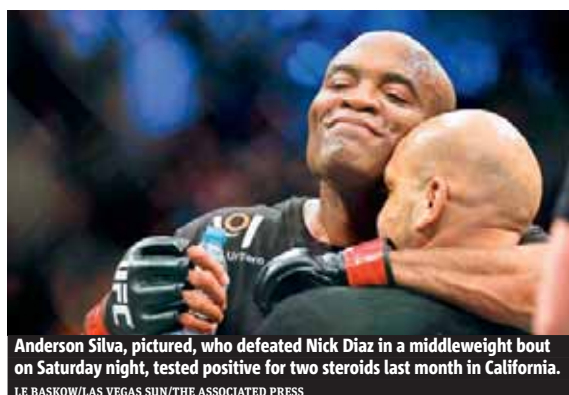
The Seattle Seahawks' vaunted secondary was a beaten up group in the Super Bowl.

Three of the four starters in Seattle's defensive backfield played with significant injuries in the 28-24 loss to New England. The latest to be confirmed was All-Pro free safety Earl Thomas, who has a torn labrum in his left shoulder and is scheduled for surgery.

Thomas suffered a dislocated shoulder in the first half of the NFC championship game. He returned to play the second half in the victory over Green Bay and played in last Sunday's Super Bowl against New England wearing a brace.

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Regulator credits UFC for testing its athletes aggressively



Anderson Silva, pictured, who defeated Nick Diaz in a middleweight bout on Saturday night, tested positive for two steroids last month in California.

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The cost of seeing MMA icon Anderson Silva swallowed up in a doping scandal is probably incalculable to the UFC.

But the executive director of the Nevada State Athletic Commission says it's to the UFC's credit that the organization paid the freight for the out-of-competition test that caught the former middleweight champion. "I will tell you that the UFC has aggressively gone after their own fighters that are using performance-enhancing drugs," said Bob Bennett.

"The UFC has provided the

'B' sample

The Silva camp has asked for the 'B' sample from the out-of-competition test to be checked at another lab. But according to the World Anti-Doping Agency, the 'B' sample can only be checked by the same lab, essentially to preserve chain of custody.

financial means for us to do this out-of-competition testing.... Not only does the UFC pay for us to do it, then they

lose some of their top fighters that we catch," he added. "So I think it's a real credit to the UFC that they're trying to level the playing field or level the Octagon."

Silva, who has denied cheating, tested positive for two steroids at a Jan. 9 test in California. Coincidentally Nick Diaz, whom Silva beat in the main event of UFC 183 last Saturday in Las Vegas, tested positive fight night for a third time for marijuana.

Both men have been temporarily suspended pending a hearing. THE CANADIAN PRESS

On-ice tracking close to reality

NHL. Chips in jerseys, pucks being tested to record every move in hockey starting as early as next season

Imagine tracking Sidney Crosby's every move on the ice — in real time.

It may not be far off.

The NHL is experimenting with player tracking technology that could be available as early as next season for broadcasters and fans.

During last month's all-star game in Columbus, Ohio, chips were put in jerseys and pucks to track everything from speed and movement to shift length and ice time. The success of this first experiment could make it more widespread.

"We're not exactly sure where this will all take us," NHL Commissioner Gary Bettman said last week in Vancouver, B.C. "Ultimately,

we are hoping to deliver the kind of data that will create insights and tell stories that avid and casual hockey fans will enjoy.

"We are attempting to embark upon a journey that hopefully will enable us to create and then maintain a digital record of everything in our game and compile a complete digital history."

Sportvision, the same company responsible for first-and-10 lines in football and "K zone" strike-zone mapping in baseball, has worked with the NHL for six years to get to this point. In co-operation with the NHL Players Association, each player had a chip in the collar of his jersey during All-Star weekend. Chips were in each puck so infrared cameras in the ceiling of Nationwide Arena could track every movement.

With this technology, teams, players and fans can see how fast a player is skating, his top speed and average.

The league and NHLPA must come to an agreement before there's even a consideration about having player tracking in place for real games. It's much more data, and with that comes some hesitancy on behalf of some players.

"We haven't finished discussing all that with the players," NHLPA executive director Don Fehr said. "Are there issues some players are concerned about? Sure. But it falls into the generalized category of creating meaningless statistics."

Sportvision CEO Hank Adams thinks there's a use for the stats. TV networks can determine speed and movement in real-time, with lots of information to mine.

"I'd say all around it was a success for us," Adams told The Canadian Press. "We were very pleased and at some point hopefully it translates into something more long-term. But that's yet to be seen."

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In January's all-star game the all-tracking technology was put to the test and considered a success. NHL commissioner Gary Bettman says he's "not exactly sure where this will all take." COURTESY NHL/NBC SPORTS/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Triano expecting NBA stars for Toronto Pan Am



Canada's men's basketball team coach Jay Triano is celebrating the fact that the Pan Am Games will be played at home. DOUG PENSINGER/GETTY IMAGES FILE

Jay Triano expects to have the country's best on the court for this summer's Pan American Games.

The coach of Canada's men's basketball team plans to use the Games as a tune-up for the FIBA Americas Olympic qualifying tournament in late August, and so will field a young, star-studded squad for the tournament in Toronto.

"Every player that I've talked to has indicated that they want to play in both Pan Ams and the qualifying tournament," Triano said Wednesday.

"Had the Pan Ams been somewhere else, we would have had a different story, but the fact it's in our backyard, these guys are pretty excited."

Depending on NBA obligations, that group could include Andrew Wiggins, the Minnesota Timberwolves' star who earned his third consecutive rookie of the month honours in January, plus Anthony Bennett, Tristan Thompson and Nik Stauskas, among others.

"It's exciting to have the Pan Am Games in my hometown of Toronto this summer," Wig-

gins said in a release.

The Pan Am draw for both the men's and women's tournament was released early Thursday morning. The men were drawn in Group B with Mexico, Argentina and the Dominican Republic, while the women face Cuba, Argentina and Venezuela in Group B.

Both Triano and women's coach Lisa Thomaidis said the Pan Am Games provides the rare opportunity to play meaningful games on home soil.

For the women, the Pan Ams fall three weeks before

their Olympic qualifying tournament in Edmonton.

"It's a good summer, it's so nice, I can't believe we're going to have two domestic competitions, that's unheard of for us, a chance to compete on home soil and actually get some exposure," Thomaidis said. "We compete in relative obscurity, people don't know who our team is, so to actually be in Canada and be in a huge market like Toronto will be so good for this team and the program."

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NBA

Magic fire coach Jacque Vaughn

The Orlando Magic fired Jacque Vaughn as coach Thursday after two-and-a-half seasons, ending the tenure of the first-time head coach brought in to help rebuild the franchise.

The move follows a 15-37 start to the season and a series of lopsided losses during a 10-game losing streak. It is the Magic's second skid of at least five games since the start of 2015.

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NBA

George wants to play, despite injury

Paul George says he would like to play this season even though he understands the odds are against him making it back so fast from a gruesome right-leg injury.

Indiana's two-time all-star said Thursday doctors believe his broken leg should be fully healed in the next several weeks, but it remains uncertain whether he can get play before the regular season ends. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CFL

Banks to stay in Hamilton till 2017

Brandon Banks is remaining with the Hamilton Tiger-Cats.

The speedy kick returner-receiver signed a contract extension Thursday that will keep him in Hamilton through the 2017 season.

The five-foot-seven, 153-pound Banks led the CFL in combined yards (1,968), punt return yards (618) and was third in kick-return yards (701) en route to being named a league all-star. THE CANADIAN PRESS

MMA

Local fighters added to Montreal UFC 186 card

Local fighters Yves (Tiger) Jabouin and John (The Bull) Makdessi have been added to the UFC 186 card in Montreal.

Jabouin will face unbeaten Brazilian bantamweight Thomas Almeida. Makdessi fights lightweight Abel (Killa) Trujillo. Bantamweight champion T.J. Dillashaw faces contender Renan Barao in the main event. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Yesterday's Sudoku

1	6	5	2	7	8	9	3	4
3	8	7	4	6	9	2	1	5
9	2	4	1	3	5	6	8	7
7	3	2	5	8	4	1	6	9
5	9	1	3	2	6	7	4	8
8	4	6	7	9	1	5	2	3
4	1	3	6	5	7	8	9	2
2	5	9	8	1	3	4	7	6
6	7	8	9	4	2	3	5	1

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			4	3				
5					2			6

See for yourself.



That's just good banking.

Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

♈ Aries

March 21 - April 20

Don't worry about how much something of a creative nature is going to cost you. If your plan is a good one – and it is – then the cosmic powers that be will help you. Take that risk.

♉ Taurus

April 21 - May 21

It might not be a good idea to speak from the heart over the next 24 hours, not with some of the negative opinions you have about certain people. A day or two from now your attitude will be a lot more positive.

♊ Gemini

May 22 - June 21

Your confidence may take a dive today but it's no big deal. As a Gemini you are rarely down for long and come the weekend you will be full of life and laughter again.

♋ Cancer

June 22 - July 23

Under no circumstances commit yourself to anything of a business or financial nature today. If others try to pressure you into signing on the dotted line that is a sure sign you should wait. There's no rush.

♌ Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

Be careful how you talk to and deal with loved ones and family members today. You may not mean to give offence but something you say or do could be taken the wrong way and cause all sorts of problems.

♍ Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

You may not be able to get into the swing of things socially today but that's OK. Send time with your thoughts and once you have made sense of them you will be the life of the party.

♎ Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Your principles may cost you money today but you are not the sort to abandon your standards for financial reward. You are also not the sort to admit you got it wrong once you adopt a certain position!

♏ Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Someone in a position of power will put you to the test today and you must raise your game and show them what you can do. There is little doubt you will win in the end.

♐ Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

If you allow fear to guide your thoughts and actions you will miss out on something that could make your life so much more enjoyable. Why should you be afraid of something just because it's new?

♑ Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

If you go to extremes over the next 24 hours you are sure to provoke a strong reaction. Is that wise? Try to find a more socially acceptable outlet for your ambition and aggression.

♒ Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

You may find it hard to get along with people in positions of authority today but if you take them on you are likely to lose. There are times when it is better to back down gracefully and this is one of them.

♓ Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

You may feel run down today but don't worry because things are not as bad as they seem. What little things can you do to make yourself feel comfortable?

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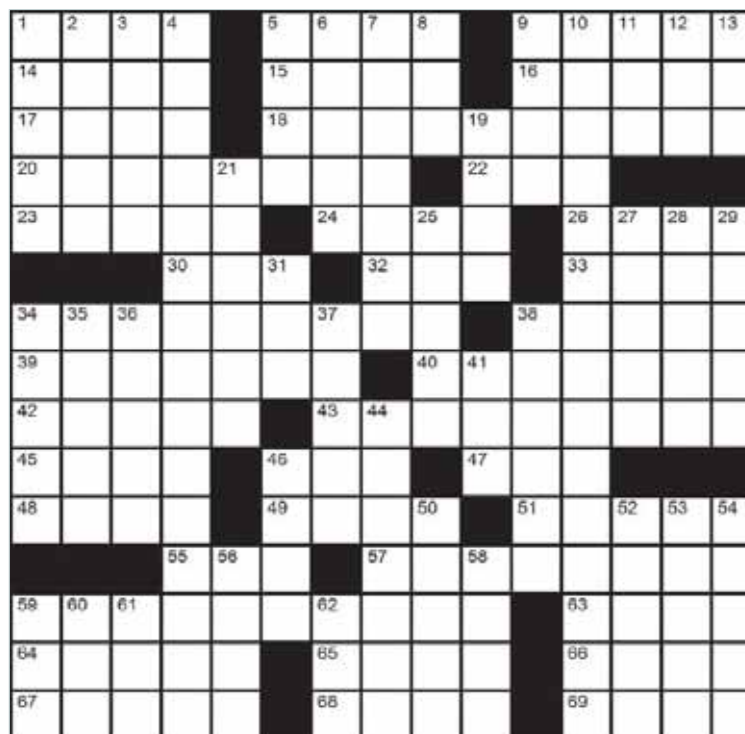
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Crossword: Canada Across and Down by Kelly Ann Buchanan

Across

1. "Do the Right Thing" (1989) pizzeria
5. "Break ____ Me Gently"
9. Home
14. Tom Jones' "____ Should Ever Leave You"
15. Tarps-lying reason
16. Cried, kitten-style
17. Biblical land
18. Le Chateau ____ (Rustic resort hotel in Quebec)
20. Morden, MB: Marine reptile like 'Bruce' at the Canadian Fossil Discovery Centre, the largest one on display in the world
22. Waste
23. Cache
24. Hawaiian coffee
26. Suggest
30. Tic-Toe link
32. Black Sabbath singer ...his initials-sharers
33. Hodgepodge
34. Way up Whistler
38. Burst with pride
39. Captured again
40. Vancouver attraction, ____ Conservatory
42. Tales
43. Eminence
45. Flooding oper.
46. Ms. Larter
47. Liq. measures
48. Exchange [abbr.]
49. Socialite sorts, shortly



51. Arise
55. Peculiar
57. Ancient Roman racers
59. 1909: J.A.D. McCurdy makes history by piloting this aircraft in Canada's first powered flight: 2 wds.

63. Mark Harmon's show
64. Donald Duck nephew
65. "By the Time ____ to Phoenix"
66. Backsplash square
67. Anxiety
68. Damp
69. Backyard blades

Down

1. Scott ____ (MP from Newfoundland)
2. "The game is ____" - Sherlock Holmes
3. Tibet's capital
4. Canadian host (who played in the CFL) of HGTV's "Tackle My Reno":

5. "____ la Douce" (1963)
6. Shish ____ (Dish popular in Montreal)
7. It was hot with a cat on top: 2 wds.
8. London's prov.
9. Podium
10. Ludwig's 1824

- symphony: 2 wds.
11. Hoo-er
12. Benicio Toro link
13. Tokyo, once
19. Times
21. San Jose hockey players
25. We Will ____ Undersold! (Store's boast)
27. L' ____ Montreal
28. Frasier's brother
29. Driving costs
31. Toronto-born actor Mr. Bennett
34. Actor Jon
35. Lift with might
36. Fall into ____ (Get played)
37. Fireplace
38. "Welcome Back, ____"
41. Race unit
44. Person's inners shield
46. Mailing info, briefly
50. The Taming of the ____
52. ____-economic status
53. Handy
54. Spelled-out followers of Rs
56. Bug repellent ingredient
58. Li'l lawyer
59. Extremist org. in 1974 headlines
60. Euripides play
61. Oaf
62. Performed

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